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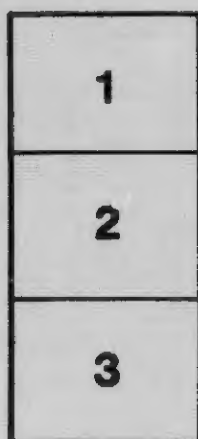
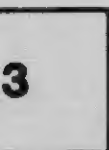
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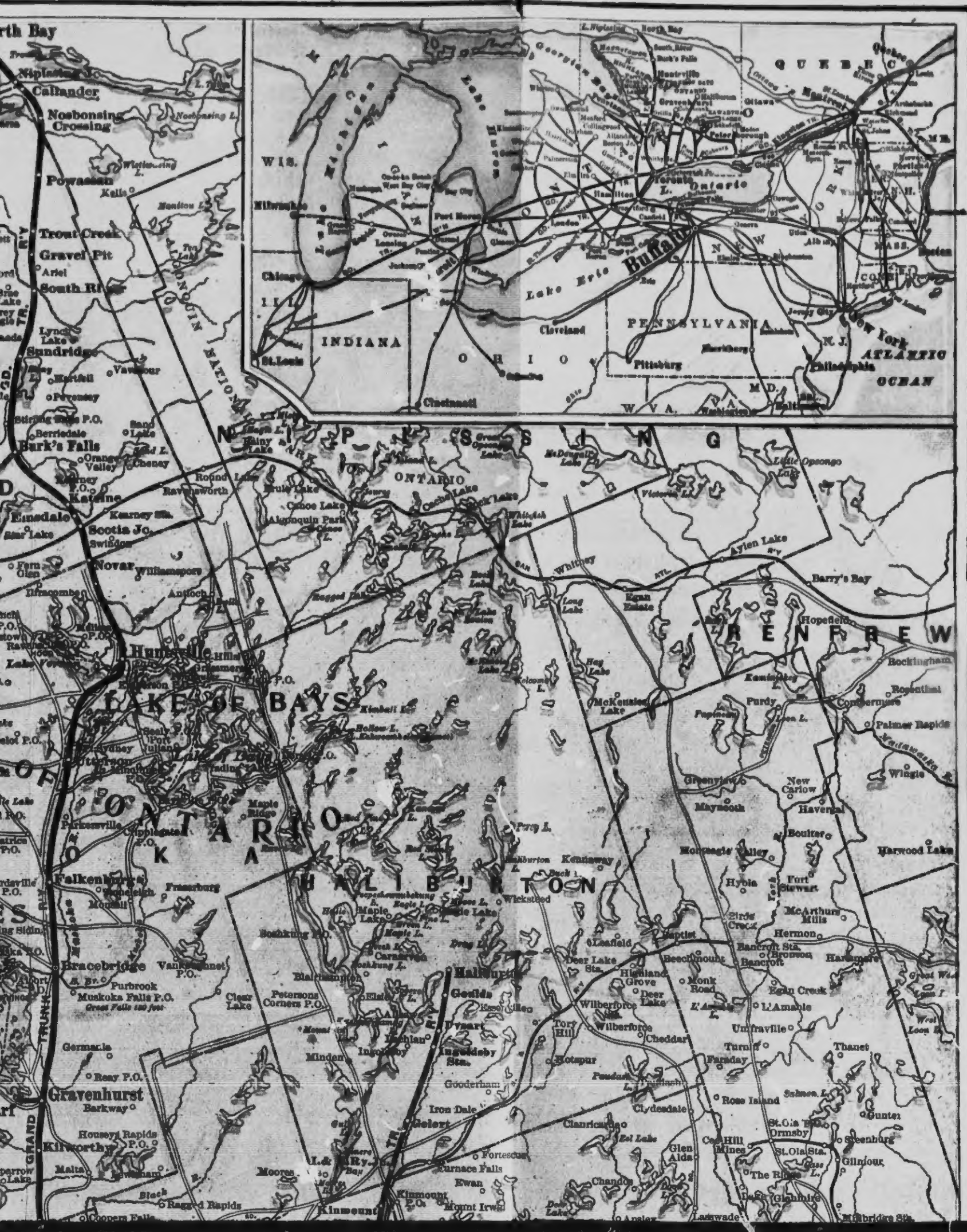
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A detailed historical map of the Highlands of Ontario, Canada. The map shows the coastline of Lake Huron and Georgian Bay, with numerous islands and peninsulas labeled. Major districts shown include Muskoka Lakes, Lake of Bays, Magnetawan River, 30,000 Islands of Georgian Bay, and Kawartha Lakes. The Grand Trunk Railway System is highlighted with a thick line, showing its route from Owen Sound in the west to Toronto in the east. Numerous towns and cities are marked, including Meaford, Collingwood, Barrie, and Toronto. The map also shows the locations of various lakes, such as Muskoka Lake and Lake Simcoe. The title 'MAP OF THE HIGHLANDS OF ONTARIO' is prominently displayed in the lower left, with 'INCLUDING' followed by the names of the districts. The publisher's name, 'THE MATTHEWS-NORTHROP CO., BUFFALO, N.Y.', is at the bottom.

# MAP OF THE HIGHLANDS OF ONTARIO

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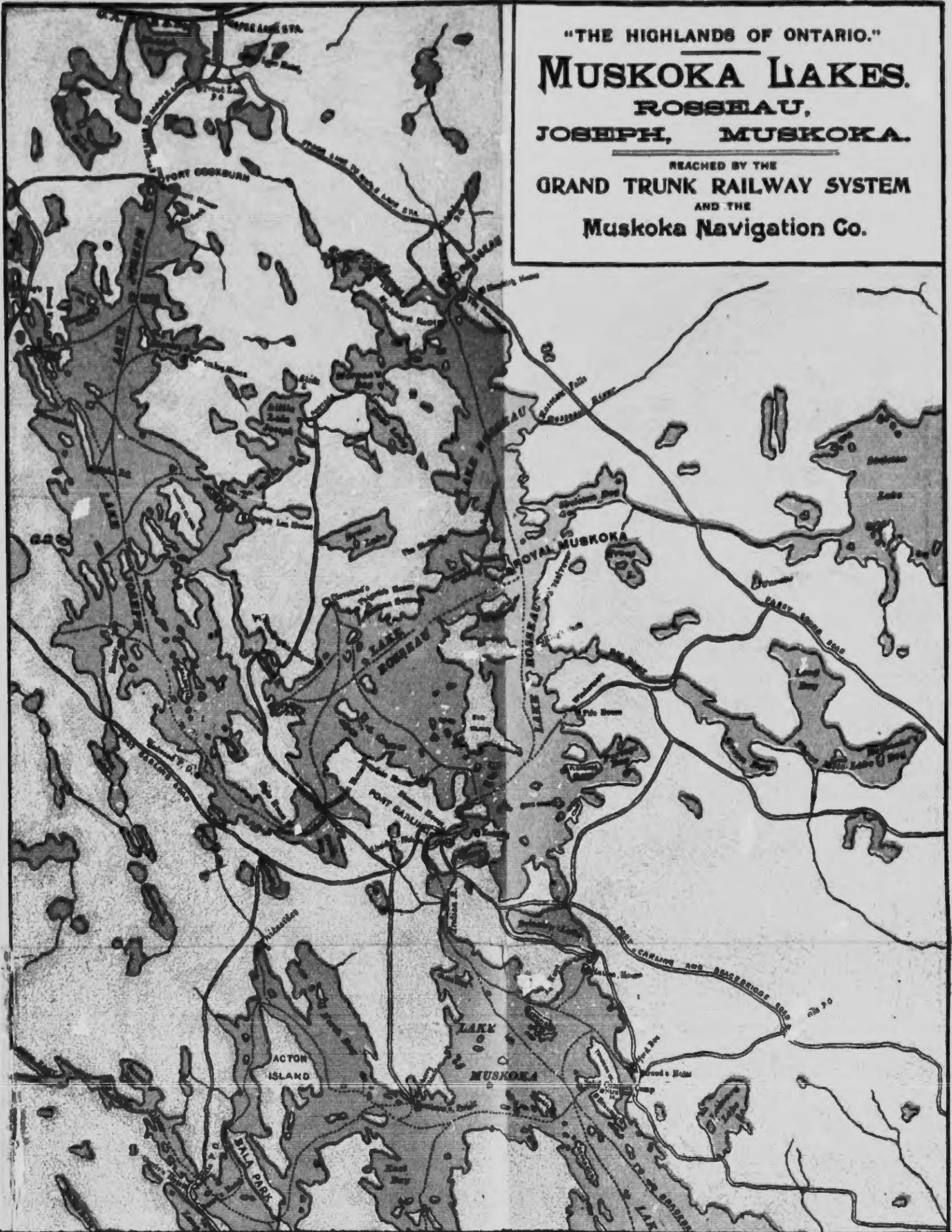


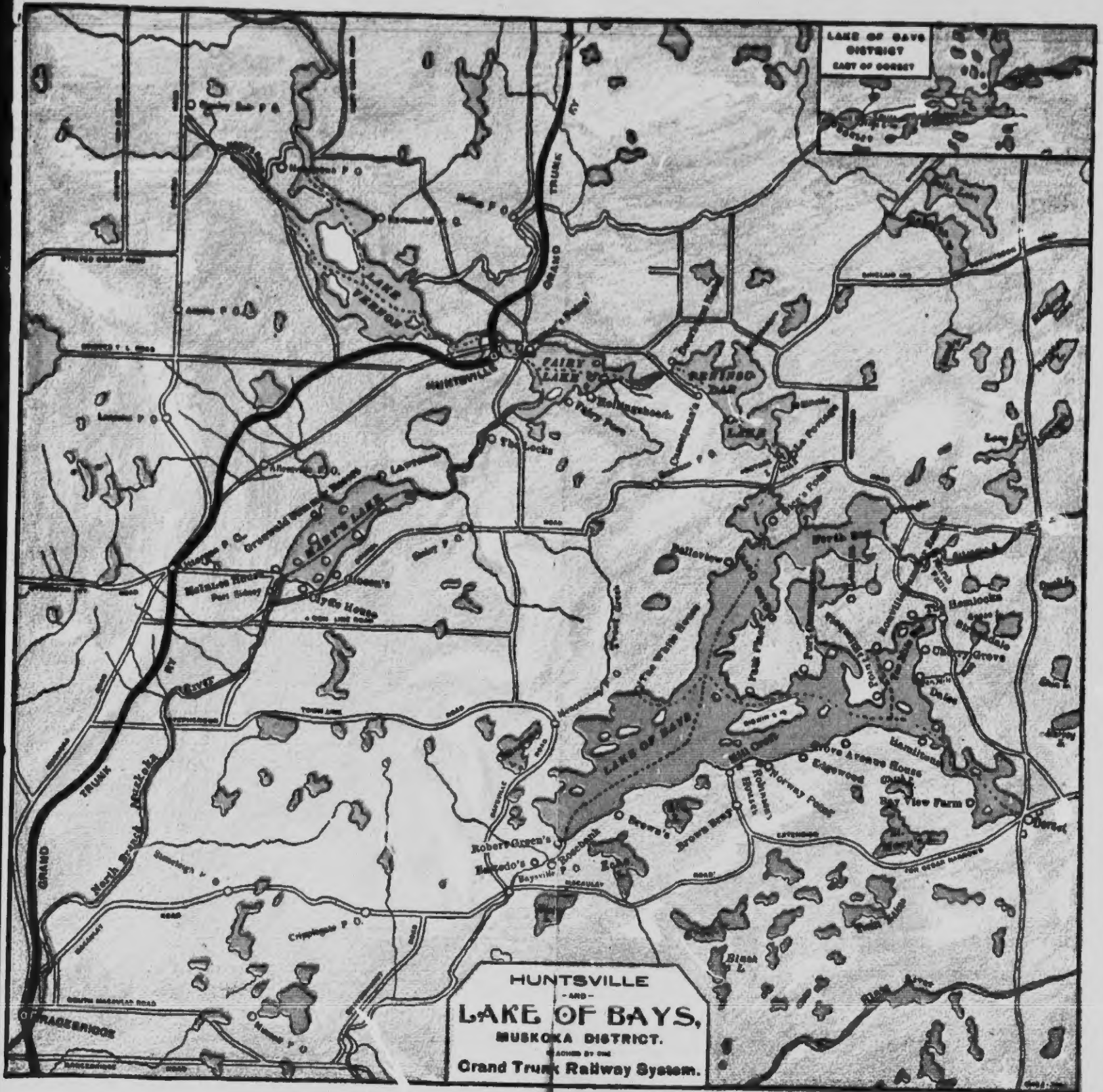


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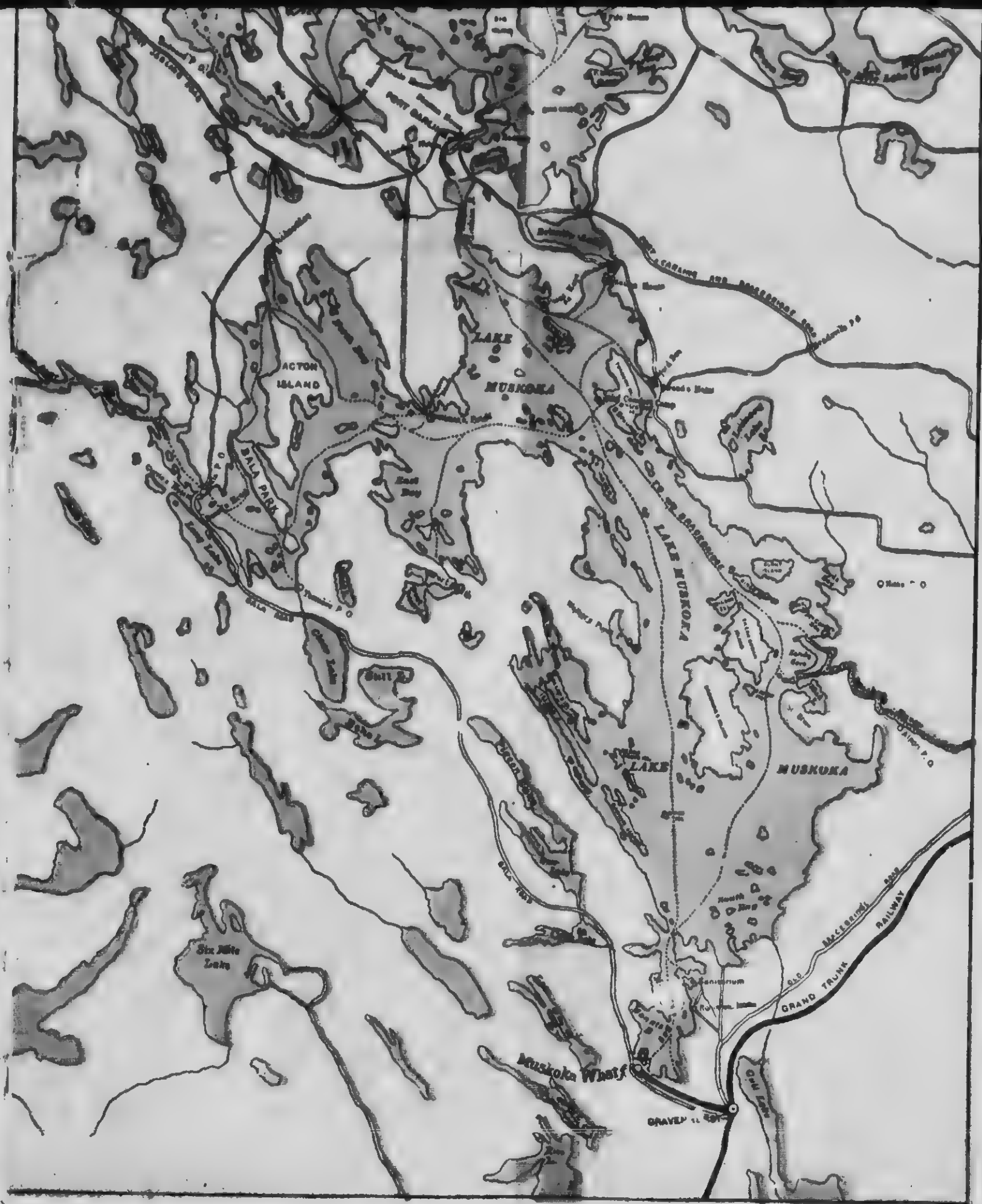
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AMONG THE ISLANDS OF LAKE MUSKOGA HIGHLANDS OF ONTARIO





# MUSKOKA LAKES.

**T**HE words, All aboard for Muskoka! is a call which sends a thrill of delightful anticipation through thousands, who, having perfected their plans, are ready to depart for that greatest of all Canada's playgrounds.

"Did the Nymphs rejoice that man would share  
Thy charms, Oh! woodland sea?"  
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Comes the answer with the life of thee,  
All pure, as the mountain snow  
From the sparkle on thy surface blue,  
The life that leaps below  
And the fragrant woods that gird thy shores,  
Where floral beauties blow."

Do you wish to view Nature's most lavish handiwork? Muskoka is a constellation of her wildest prodigalities. All are here, fertile plains, peaceful villages, rugged rock-ribbed ridges, a wilderness of forests, laughing streams, rushing torrents over precipitous declivities or sparkling lakes nestling on their bosoms hundreds of island gems, rivaling Mirza's entrancing vision of Paradise.

Do you wish rest from the brain-fag of business, the exhausting demands of city social life or the diversified experience of intermingling social gaities with relaxation, recreation and sport? Muskoka will supply your wants, clear skies, rarified atmosphere, healthy climate, placid waters where sunny days may be dreamed away in a dainty canoe, glistening stretches of sandy beach where one may disport themselves in limpid waters, lover's paths through the fragrant wood or mountainous rocks to be climbed. Here are peaceful country homes, cozy island cottages or the villas of the affluent, modest hotels or popular resorts where the fashionable and wealthy congregate.

Should you say with the immortal Napoleon as he addressed the army of Italy, "Gentlemen, we want everything," Muskoka possesses it. Camping, boating, fishing, hunting, bathing, golf, tennis, solitude or society, this "Canadian Venice" has it to offer to all manner of men, women and children, whether rich or poor, healthy or sickly. MUSKOKA! a name to conjure with, an elysium of all that can be desired in a summer resort.

## WHAT AND WHERE IS MUSKOKA?

This question has been answered so often that it is only having in mind this booklet may find itself in the hands of some one who has not been there, we venture the information.

The word "Muskoka" is derived from the name of the great chief of the Hurons, "Musaquodo" signifying "clear sky," and the district well merits its name.

Situated 1,000 feet above sea level, its altitude produces a modifying effect on the sun's brightness, and the climatic conditions are most enjoyable.

Muskoka is a district. This means it has not as yet been given the conventional form of municipal government, but is directly under the control of the Provincial Legislature, thereby presenting the charm of an unsettled territory, while at the same



NEAR STANLEY HOUSE — LAKE JOSEPH.

time its many towns and villages afford the conveniences of more thickly settled localities, such as postal, telegraph, telephone and railway service, etc.

The district, to which the general term of "The Highlands of Ontario" has been popularly applied, is one of many hundred square miles in extent. It lies on the eastern shore of the Georgian Bay between the middle tier counties of Simcoe, York and Victoria on the south and the District of Parry Sound on the north. In general formation the same ruggedness which characterizes the great Laurentian range, of which it forms a part, is to be observed. It is thickly wooded with stately pines, giant hemlocks, fragrant balsams and wide-spreading maples. In fact every variety of tree life is found to grow here in glorious profusion.

It is dotted with hundreds of pretty lakes of all sizes and depths, the greatest and most beautiful of which is the group called The Muskoka Lakes, namely Lakes Muskoka, Rosseau and Joseph.

The entire district is traversed by the Northern Division of the Grand Trunk Railway System from Toronto to North Bay, situated on Lake Nipissing. The railway, fully alive to the importance of the Muskoka Lakes as a pleasure resort, offers during the tourist season a most complete double service of solid wide-vestibule trains each way daily from Toronto and Buffalo, N. Y., as well as Pullman cars on all night trains direct to Muskoka Wharf, the gateway to the lakes, at the town of Gravenhurst, 112 miles north of Toronto.

The intending tourist will find himself on board the magnificent Muskoka Express leaving Buffalo or Toronto at a convenient hour in the morning.

The trip from Toronto is a most interesting one, taking the traveler through a continuous scene of hill and dale, diversified with beautiful lakes and rivers, and until the more rugged portion of the country is reached, the prosperous farmer is much in evidence, judging by the well-tilled fields and pretentious buildings on every side.

Many pretty and flourishing towns are passed on the way up, including Allandale, a divisional point on the Grand Trunk System, where is located a lunch room. Ample time is given to refresh the inner man until the steamer is reached at Muskoka Wharf, where a substantial dinner is served on the arrival of the trains.

Next we come to the crescent town of Barrie, charmingly situated on the shores of Kempenfeldt Bay, an arm of the large inland Lake Simcoe.

Orillia, a thriving town of 6,000, is next passed. Orillia boasts of many beautiful residences, thrifty stores and manufacturing establishments. It is beautifully situated on the shores of Lake Couchiching, which is connected with Lake Simcoe.

Twenty-six miles farther north we reach Gravenhurst, a town of considerable importance, lying at the foot of Lake Muskoka, the southernmost of the three Muskoka Lakes. Gravenhurst possesses several large lumbering plants, busy stores, etc. On account of its healthful surroundings it has been selected as the location of two large sanitariums for consumptives, the only institutions of the kind in Canada. A large percentage of the cases received at these institutions are discharged cured and many others, more advanced probably, are so benefited that their lives



A BIT OF SHADOW RIVER, TRIBUTARY TO LAKE ROSSEAU.  
MUSKOKA LAKES DISTRICT.

are indefinitely prolonged to the comfort and enjoyment of themselves and friends. This speaks volumes for the healthfulness of this region; which is characteristic of the entire Muskoka District.

Pausing for a moment at the station of Gravenhurst, the train proceeds to Muskoka Wharf, one mile distant, where are found moored alongside, the splendid steamers of the Muskoka



Navigation Company, with steam up, surging on their lines as if impatient to speed away with their precious human cargoes. This Company maintains on the lakes a fleet of ten modern and up-to-date steamers ranging from the natty, swift running steam yacht "Charlie M" to the stately flagship "Medora" capable of carrying hundreds of passengers. These steamers are well kept, comfortably furnished, having large observation lining saloons, and in fact are calculated to meet the most exacting demands of the Twentieth Century tourist. Three steamers make close connections with the Grand Trunk trains, and on their way up the lakes are met by others of the fleet at junction points, which relieve the boats from the trains of part of their loads and by diverging routes are so run that all parts of the lakes can be reached twice daily in either direction. Then there are steamers which take up excursion routes dodging in and out among the islands, threading their way through narrow and intricate channels, revealing to the visitor rare scenic beauties unseen from the decks of the regular liners. In fact both the Railway and Navigation Companies put forth their best efforts to make the visitors' trip to Muskoka and their stay there the most enjoyable possible.

After leaving the train at Muskoka Wharf the tourist locates himself in a comfortable armchair on the waiting steamer's spacious shaded deck. The few moments elapsing ere she starts are quickly passed watching the scene of activity on the wharf



PARTRIDGES ARE PLENTIFUL IN THE "HIGHLANDS OF ONTARIO."

below as the hands hurry on board the huge trucks loaded with baggage, endless numbers of express packages and quantities of mail bags, wondering perhaps where it can all be going. There is little to indicate from what can be seen at the wharf of the beauties beyond or the extent of the lakes, but what a vast storehouse Muskoka really is, for with its thousands of visitors it

is never crowded. At last the whistle sounds, the lines are cast off and the trim steamer swings her head up the lake with her load, a happy, joyous throng.

From Muskoka Wharf, the starting point, to Port Carling, the junction of Lakes Muskoka and Rosseau, the distance is twenty-one miles; from the same starting point to Rosseau,



MUSKOKA WHARF—STARTING POINT FOR THE MUSKOKA LAKES.

at the head of the lake of this name, it is thirty-three miles, while the farthest point on the three lakes, Port Cockburn at the head of Lake Joseph, is forty-five miles from Muskoka Wharf; the width of the lakes varying from channels a few hundred yards across to open stretches of water about six miles wide.

The lakes are fed by several rivers and streams, chief among them being the Muskoka River, entering Muskoka Lake about mid-way between Muskoka Wharf and Beaumaris, on the eastern shore of the lake, and the route of the Muskoka Navigation Company's steamers to Bracebridge, a pretty town, sixteen miles north from Gravenhurst. The Dee River connecting Three-Mile Lake with Lake Rosseau, near Windermere, Skeleton River from Skeleton Lake to Lake Rosseau, and Rosseau River, with the pretty Rosseau Falls, all feed this, the second largest of the three lakes, on its eastern boundary, while Shadow River, one of nature's gems, at the head of the lake, will alone repay the tourist for the entire journey up the lakes. With its deceptive shadows and reflections, it is nature "holding the mirror to nature." In this publication will be found a reproduction from one of the latest photographs taken on this lovely river, which will give a slight conception of the clearness of the waters that reflect objects in such life-like truthfulness. Two other notable streams, dear to the heart of the sportsman and the intrepid canoeist, are the Moon and Muskosh rivers, the outlet of the lakes from Muskoka Lake at Bala, which flow into the Georgian Bay to the west.

The Muskoka Lakes contain between four hundred and five hundred islands of every shape and size, ranging from one of over 1,100 acres, in Lake Rosseau, to those containing but a single tree, or a rock rising sheer from the water's edge. The most numerous, however, are densely covered with pine, balsam, cedar, birch, maple, oak and other varieties of tree life.

Many of the islands, on which have been erected handsome dwellings, are the private property of wealthy Americans and Canadians, but there are hundreds of choice little spots on which any party is at liberty to take up their abode for the season.

The radiant and ceaseless loveliness of Nature's ever-changing panorama is seldom more appreciated than in the midst of these lakes,

"Countercharged  
with diamond plots of dark and bright."

Is there anyone who, after a long, refreshing slumber in this pure atmosphere, could gaze unmoved upon the glories of the heavens as mirrored in these lakes? The sunbeams have driven far from the field aerial cloud-flocks—likened to the flocks of Admetus under Apollo's keeping—leaving the heavens iridescent with the morning's light.

Again in the evening, removed, as it were, from the bustle and strife of life, and surrounded by a feeling of deep and tender isolation, the powers of contemplation are awakened, when presently from behind some dark cloud the moon will burst forth in all its glory, shedding its silvery halo over island and camp, over lake and river, as a glorious mantle of peace.

## HOTELS.

Muskoka is noted for the number and variety of its hotel and boarding-house accommodation situated at various points







AT THE HEAD OF LAKE JOSEPH — M

along the lakes. A complete list of such will be found at the back of this folder. From these the visitor can select a place to suit his taste and purse. There are comfortable farm houses, and scores of cleanly, well-kept hotels offering good substantial food and endless variety of other attractions. The prices range from the modest fee of \$3.00 per week up to those of greater pretensions. The Royal Muskoka Hotel was erected in 1901 at a cost of \$170,000 by the Muskoka Navigation Company, to supply the ever increasing demand by tourists for strictly first-class accommodations. This splendid hostelry is unequalled by any summer hotel in Canada and indeed few city hotels compare with it in the excellence of its arrangements. A journalist has written the following description:

### "ROYAL MUSKOKA."

The romantic and beautiful situation of the new "Royal Muskoka," its spacious and graceful proportions, all tend to inspire anticipations of the pleasantest sort, as its picturesque red towers, gleaming through the varied green of the trees, first meet the eye of the visitor to the far-famed lovely "Highlands of Ontario."

The first pleasant impression made by the "Royal Muskoka" upon travelers sailing up the lake is deepened upon the nearer approach of the boat to the island. One notes with pleasure the soft gray, stucco walls, timbered across with dark wood, under its red-tiled roof, the deep cool veranda—where luxuriously comfortable chairs of every description invite to rest—and command views the loveliest, the most ravishing the eye can look upon, "Summer isles of Eden lying in dark purple spheres of sea." The blissful quiet, broken only by the rustling of the



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beeches and the soft sigh of the pines—for not the least attraction of Muskoka is its seeming remoteness from the noisy traffic and din of cities—falls upon the tired spirit like balm. Even the winding walk up the hill under the trees to the hotel is of noiseless, soft brown tanbark, so that no clatter of many feet coming and going breaks the delightful charm of Nature’s music. All is beauty, quiet; and a new scene of life is soon felt as one drinks in the pure, bracing air that is so apparent to the new comer.

The “Royal Muskoka” is nothing if not modern and up-to-date. Every comfort and luxury that modern civilization has given us is found in this great hotel that rises in the midst of a romantic and primeval world. The great reception room, into which the visitor is first ushered, is a room of magnificent proportions. Its walls are plastered in an artistic, soft rough finish, and timbered across with excellent effect, and there is a splendid fireplace capable of holding great logs that are a joy to behold. There are snug corners with secretaries and writing materials, where letters may be written in quiet, and a fine piano for the musically inclined. A gallery calls up gay visions of fiddlers and harpists while the dancers foot it merrily below, and the long French windows reveal the most delightful promenades on the verandas that circle the hotel on each flat. Palms are everywhere, and the *tout ensemble* is such as to appeal to the most fastidious taste.

But what is found in very few large city hotels even is actually provided in the bedrooms of the “Royal Muskoka,” viz.: basins with hot and cold water, hot water heating, and electric lighting and bells. Moreover, to the best bedrooms there are dressing rooms attached, with luxurious large white porcelain bathtubs for the morning bath, with all the conveniences of the private home.

The walks in and about the grounds of the "Royal Muskoka" are many and charming, and the lover of solitude has no difficulty in finding the most exquisite spots in these fragrant woods in which to dream away the time or read in quiet. For the more socially inclined there are the great wide-winged, air-swept, shady verandas, with their superb command of the loveliest views, and for all there are sports—canoeing, bathing, fishing, golfing, tennis, and water trips up and down the lakes. A week here does wonders for the visitor in the matter of health, but a month or longer actually recreates him, so marvelous, so health-giving is the air of this Muskoka District.

## MUSKOKA AND HAY FEVER.

In the past a great deal has been written and articles published dilating upon the grandeur of the Muskoka Lakes District, its rivers and waterfalls, beautiful lakes and islands, its medicinal waters and its invigorating atmosphere; but it is not generally known that the Muskoka air is one of the best alleviations known for that very annoying and persistent ailment, Hay Fever, from which so many people suffer.

As a hay fever resort, Muskoka is unexcelled, and thousands of sufferers are unaware that there is entire immunity from the disease here. There are many localities recommended, but in all the results are dependent upon the vagaries of the wind; as if it should blow off shore, as it frequently does, there is no relief. In Muskoka the conditions are different, as the flowers and grasses whose pollen aggravate the disease are not to be found in this rocky region, and the direction of the wind is immaterial. The best cure for hay fever, therefore, is, go to Muskoka, enjoy the pure air of this bracing locality, go fishing, secure the Muskoka appetite, and eat the best you can get. During the past season hundreds of hay fever sufferers from the States of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, the Southern States, and many of the cities and towns of Canada, were located throughout the region, and all speak in the highest terms of the immediate relief obtained from this malady.

Owing to the high altitude and pureness of the dry atmospheric conditions, perfect immunity from malaria is also assured.





## FISHING AND SHOOTING.

**F**OR the hunter and angler the Muskoka Lakes District is a paradise; deer, bear, fox and partridge being numerous, while the gamiest of trout and bass, and the weightiest maskinonge are the delight of all who tempt its waters with rod and line.

During the 1903 season more than 10,000 hunters went up into the Muskoka Lakes District and contiguous regions for deer shooting, and the results were most satisfactory to the sportsmen. Instead of decreasing, the deer are increasing throughout this district. The three prime factors that will furnish sport hunting deer for many years to come, are: Protection to deer by the new, dense undergrowth which is replacing the cleared timber tracts; a license system which compels recognition of the close and open seasons; and wardens who respect the Government and enforce the law. It is estimated that during the deer hunting season of 1903, November 1 to November 15, not less than 12,000 deer were killed.



SHADOW RIVER — MUSKOKA LAKES DISTRICT.



FROM HAMIL'S POINT

## SOME FISHING GROUNDS.

**T**HE fishing grounds in close contiguity to the Muskoka Lakes proper, and within a distance of from five to ten miles, are of the best in this Northern country, and excellent sport may be had if the angler cares to look for it. Near Beaumaris there is very good fishing in Brandy Lake (3 miles), black bass running from 1 to 4 pounds, and pickerel from 6 to 20 pounds. Leonard Lake (2 miles), good fishing—same species as found in Brandy Lake. Near Barnesdale, on Lake Joseph, there is excellent fishing on Kah-Pee-Gog and Six-Mile Lakes, as well as half a dozen small lakes in the same vicinity; the fish caught here are chiefly bass and pickerel. A party left Barnesdale last summer for Six-Mile Lake; their catch was a pike weighing 22 pounds, and a heavy string of black bass running from 4 to 6½ pounds. At Six-Mile Lake there is a small house where tourists can be accommodated at reasonable rates, and where guides can be secured. In close proximity to Gordon Bay on Lake Joseph there are a number of lakes affording very good fishing within a radius of from three to ten miles. Near this place there is a cluster of small lakes which, in addition to the celebrated Blackstone and Crane lakes, are noted for their abundance of fish, such as Portage Lake, Clear Lake, Silver Lake, Long Lake and several others. These lakes are easily accessible by wagon road, or can be reached by a series of short portages. Bass, pickerel



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and salmon trout are very numerous, and excellent sport is assured to the persevering angler. Near Rosseau, on Lake Rosseau, there are three lakes which can be reached by portage from Lake Rosseau, a distance of about three miles, with portages of 200 yards. These are lakes in which bass and salmon trout are abundant. Sucker Lake and Watson Lake, fine bass fishing. Within a radius of nine miles from Rosseau are Black, Turtle, Star, Hicks, Whitefish, Trout and Clear lakes, which are all recommended for good fishing. Near Bala, from two to three miles down the Moon River, there is good maskinonge fishing; last season quite a number were caught weighing from 27 to 33 pounds.

There is also in close proximity to this place Long Lake, Clear Lake, Echo Lake, Nine-Mile Lake and Black Lake, all within a distance of three and a half to four miles from Bala, where capital fishing is assured. The Muskosh River, about four miles from Bala, is noted for its good fishing. At Star Lake, within a mile of the hotel, there is good fishing for speckled trout and bass, as also many other lakes in close proximity in this locality. Within a radius of five to ten miles of Port Cockburn there is found some of the best bass fishing in the Northern resorts. If the angler will write to the proprietors of the hotels in the places mentioned in this paragraph he can secure further information with regard to the fishing in the different localities.

With regard to the Maganetawan River, the fisherman can apply to Mr. S. G. Best, Agent, Crown Lands Department, Maganetawan, Ont., who is thoroughly conversant with the good fishing grounds in close proximity to the Maganetawan River, and who will be glad to give any information required.



A CARGO OF DEER AT MUSKOKA WHARF.

## CUSTOMS ARRANGEMENTS.

Persons visiting Canada for a limited time for pleasure may bring with them such guns, fishing tackle, tents, camp equipment, cooking utensils, kodaks, bicycles, etc., as they may require for their own use, upon reporting same to the customs officer at port of entry, depositing with him a sum of money equal to the duty, subject to a refund of this amount if the articles are exported within six months, or they may be forwarded in bond to any point in Canada where a customs officer is stationed, where the same regulations as above must be complied with. For the convenience of our patrons, arrangements have been made for the location of a customs officer at Muskoka Wharf, for the examination and passing of incoming baggage, which can now be bonded and forwarded to Muskoka Wharf.

## HOW TO REACH MUSKOKA.

**F**ROM points in the South, passengers reach the Grand Trunk Railway, either by way of Buffalo and Niagara Falls, or by way of Detroit. From each of these points the trains of the Grand Trunk Railway convey the passengers to Muskoka Wharf.

In the West, from Chicago and points in the Western States, passengers are carried over the main line of this great system by way of Port Huron and Toronto, passing through some of the principal cities of the United States and the western part of Ontario.

From Buffalo, trains are run solid over the Lehigh Valley and Grand Trunk, crossing the Grand Trunk's single-arch, double-track steel bridge over Niagara River.

From Toronto, fast express trains are run solid to Muskoka Wharf.

Passengers from Eastern Points, such as Quebec, Portland, and intermediate stations, proceed via the main line of the Grand Trunk Railway through Montreal to Toronto, and those from



Boston and all New England points by connecting lines via the same route, and thence on to Muskoka by the **GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM**.

Tourists from the Maritime Provinces reach the Grand Trunk by the Intercolonial Railway, via Montreal, and proceed over the main line as above described.

From points in the East, and south of Buffalo, including the States of New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Maryland, etc., the route is by way of Niagara Falls, thence Grand Trunk Railway.

Passengers for the Muskoka Lakes should see that their baggage is checked **THROUGH TO DESTINATION ON THE LAKES, BUT IF NOT POSSIBLE TO SO ARRANGE WITH RAILWAY AGENT AT STARTING POINT, IT SHOULD BE CHECKED TO MUSKOKA** (see preceding paragraph regarding customs arrangements.)

## MAGANETAWAN RIVER.

**I**N ITS rivers as much as in its lakes lies the beauty of Muskoka. The Maganetawan is reached fifty-eight miles north of Muskoka Wharf, at Burk's Falls, on the Grand Trunk Railway, and opens up another and entirely new region to steamboat navigation, to the tourist and particularly the sportsman, who can get with comparatively little trouble to a district which has hitherto been accessible only to those with ample means and time. The Maganetawan River is just equidistant between the Muskoka Lakes and Lake Nipissing, and drains a surface of about 4,000 square miles. Some idea may, therefore, be gathered of its magnitude and of the possibilities for canoeing opened up by the ramifications of the numerous tributaries and their connected lake enlargements.

The very heart center for sport, for rod and gun. Its rivers and lakes can be ascended and descended in canoes, amid the beat of sport, while the eye is fascinated by the fresh and unsullied wildness of its forest haunts.

Burk's Falls stands upon the banks of the main Maganetawan at the head of steamboat navigation, and about half a mile below the forks of the river where the two great north and south branches join. From here can be taken either of the steamers of the Muskoka Navigation Company, the "Wenonah" or "Wanita."

For fifteen miles the river is followed, winding to and fro, as all Muskoka rivers seem to do. Lake Ceebe forms the next link for ten miles, at the foot of which the village of Maganetawan. After passing through the locks, the steamer continues for three miles more in the river, and then enters Lake Ahmic. This is another of the gems of Muskoka, most quaint in form. The lake is twelve miles in length. This is also another excellent route for boating, as there are no rapids to interfere, or portages to make, a nice diversity of paddling or rowing in the river is interspersed with sailing on the lakes.

From here on, the more adventurous can continue their canoe route by the Great River, twelve miles to Lake Wa-wa-kash, and thence to Byng Inlet, about fifty miles away on the Georgian Bay. In this distance there are twenty portages of varying lengths, from one of some two miles to most of only a few yards. It is a trip not to be attempted without first-class guides. These portages made, there are few difficulties to be overcome.

Visitors to the Muskoka Lake region should take a trip on the Maganetawan before returning home.

The combined paddle and screw steamer, "Wenonah," and steamer "Wanita" leave daily, except Sunday, in connection with the Grand Trunk Railway at Burk's Falls, for Cecebe, Maganetawan Village, Forest Nook and Ahmic Harbor.

The angler will find an abundance of salmon trout, bass, pickerel and other varieties of fish. The speckled trout, which every knight of the reel and rod loves to play, are found in abundance in these waters. One afternoon while on the Maganetawan River, a tributary of these lakes, one of a party caught ninety-seven trout, the largest tipping the scales at  $2\frac{1}{4}$  pounds. Black flies and mosquitoes are very scarce.

The Lake of many Islands, some seven miles from Maganetawan River, is a magnificent fishing haunt, black bass being numerous, and running from two to eight pounds, also good trolling for salmon trout.

Other good points for fishing are Buntin's Creek, seven miles from the Maganetawan, for speckled trout; Doe Lake (two miles), good bass fishing, Beaver Lake (five miles), for pickerel and bass.

#### LARGE CAT FISH WERE MADE LAST YEAR AND AS FOLLOWS:

Lakes Rosseau and Joseph—Bass, Pickerel and Salmon Trout.  
Port Sandfield—Bass, Pickerel and Salmon Trout.  
Port Cockburn—(Head of Lake Joseph)—Bass, Salmon Trout and Pickerel.  
Blackstone Lake—(Near Port Cockburn)—Maskinonge and Bass.  
Rosseau—(Head of Lake Rosseau)—Bass, Pickerel, Speckled and Salmon Trout.  
Burk's Falls—Bass, Salmon and Perch.  
Maganetawan River—Brook Trout, Black Bass and Pickerel.

#### GUIDES—Muskoka Lakes and Maganetawan River.

Rates, from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per day and board.  
Boats and Canoes extra.

Port Cockburn—Fred Bradley, Ben Bradley, Patterson Brothers.  
Bala—Albert May, John May, R. Hamil, H. Wilson, Wm. Renshaw, J. Palmer  
Beaumaris—Wm. Black.  
Bracebridge—John Cooper.  
Port Carling—Frank Foreman, Rich. Foreman, Fred Penson.  
Rosseau—Thomas Webster & Son.  
For Maganetawan Country—George Ross, Spence P.O.; Dan Staratt, Burk's Falls P.O.  
For Blackstone and Crane Lakes—Robinson Bros., Port Cockburn.  
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## KE OF BAYS DISTRICT.

**T**HE region in the vicinity of Huntsville, Ont., has been well designated the "Killarney of Ontario." Owing to the diversity of hill and dale, interspersed with innumerable lakes and bays, inlets and rivers, it makes up one of the most charming parts of Ontario to visit on a holiday trip. "The Lake of Bays Folder," published by the Grand Trunk Railway, contains comprehensive descriptive matter—tells how to get there and the attractions that are to be found. It also contains maps of the country and the necessary information for the tourist or sportsman. Copies of the "Lake of Bays Folder" may be had free upon application to agents of the Grand Trunk Railway System.

## GEORGIAN BAY.

The round trip, combining both the Georgian Bay and Muskoka Lakes, can be made in two directions, either via Midland or Penetang to Parry Sound, and thence by rail to Maple Lake, and stage 8 miles to Port Cockburn, or 12 miles to Rosseau, and from there by steamer through the Muskoka Lakes to Gravenhurst, where connection is made with trains of the Grand Trunk Railway; or taking steamer at Muskoka Wharf, the tourist can go



FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING—LAKE ROBEAU.

in the opposite direction and proceed by steamer from Parry Sound, connecting with train at Midland or Penetang, and thence south to Toronto.

One of the grandest trips that Ontario affords is through the islands of the Georgian Bay. It is estimated that there are more than thirty thousand islands in this great arm of Lake Huron. In general character they resemble those of the St. Lawrence River, but of course are infinitely more numerous and still retain their original wild picturesqueness.

A special publication describing the beauties of this magnificent trip is issued by the Grand Trunk Railway, and can be had for the asking.

## KAWARTHA LAKES.

A chain of lakes comprising this region lie north of Peterboro and Lindsay, with a magnificent steamer route of seventy miles from Lakefield to Cobocok. Unlimited attractions for the fisherman and hunter, and a beau ideal resort for the summer tourist. A handsome publication (Kawartha Folder), profusely illustrated, giving full information as to routes, hotels, etc., sent free on application to agents of the Grand Trunk Railway System.

## OPEN SEASON FOR FISH AND GAME

(Province of Ontario)

is clearly stated in "HAUNTS OF FISH AND GAME," published by the GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM.

## BAGGAGE ARRANGEMENTS.

**Sportsmen.**—For sportsmen, campers and cottagers, singly or in parties, on camping, hunting or fishing expeditions, two hundred (200) pounds of baggage will be checked free of charge on each full ticket, and one hundred (100) pounds on each half ticket, provided it consists of wearing apparel, sportsmen's and campers' outfits, such as tents, small bundles of bedding, folding cots, camp-chairs, camp utensils, and provisions in small quantities.

Furniture, barrels, bags of flour, or like bulky articles of that nature, will not be checked as baggage, but must be sent by express or freight.

On the return journey, a game or fish catch of fifty (50) pounds weight, not in conflict with existing laws, may be included in the two hundred (200) pounds "allowance."

Guns in wooden, canvas or leather cases may be taken into passenger cars, but if not protected, they must be conveyed in the baggage car at owner's risk. Canoes, skiffs and other boats will not be taken in the baggage car, but must be forwarded by freight or by express.

The foregoing arrangements apply to a limited district, including Muskoka and certain other points north of Toronto.

**NOTE**—Sportsmen from foreign countries are not charged any license for fishing in Canadian waters when Canadian boats and guides are employed.

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## THE BIRDS OF MUSKOKA.

(Extract from an article by Mr. E. T. Coatsworth, Toronto.)

Birds have always been a source of pleasure to the lover of Nature, and the holidays afford a good opportunity to make new friends among them. The north land, where many birds go to nest every year, is an unexplored country to most people. Here may be found in summer several species which are only with us, farther south, in their spring and fall migrations. Muskoka is an ideal hunting ground in this respect. Chickadees, brown creepers, nuthatches, birds with which we are acquainted in winter, repair here to rear their young. Any one with a good book for the identification of new kinds may easily name nearly forty different birds, even though it be a first attempt.

A walk through the woods or a paddle along the bank will be full of delightful surprises and new sights. Perhaps you will hear a sweet merry jingle which can hardly be called a song. Just in front flits the owner, a little fluttering warbler, the redstart. His coal-black head, with bright orange patches on the shoulders and yellowish band across his wings and tail, make a combination so effective that he seems the gayest bird in the wood. Soon a large bird is seen exploring the bark of a decayed tree, and, if you know your Ornithology, you will recognize the hairy woodpecker, a somewhat shy denizen of the forest.

On a dead tree overhanging the river sits the belted kingfisher and his rattling call is wafted to you as he swoops downward. One of the commonest birds is the cedar waxwing, which is generally in August, engaged in catching insects over some falls or rapid. It alights on a stone, and when an insect approaches, launches in pursuit.

As evening draws near the night hawk can be descried in the sky, patrolling the heavens with ceaseless vigilance. Now he wheels in aerial curves, uttering his incessant cry, and anon sweeps earthward with loud humming wings. After the advent of darkness the cry of the whip-poor-will throbs on the still air, and the weird hooting of the barred owl resounds from the thicket.

The following is a partial list of the birds seen in the vicinity of Moon Chute Point, Muskoka, during July and August, 1903:

Song sparrow, field sparrow, chipping sparrow, vesper sparrow, fox sparrow, junco, goldfinch, chickadee, white-breasted nuthatch, red-breasted nuthatch, brown creeper, hairy woodpecker, flicker, cedar waxwing, redstart, red-eyed vireo, phoebe, black and white warbler, yellow warbler, wood pewee, ruby-throated humming bird, yellow-billed cuckoo, bronzed crackle, red-winged blackbird, cat bird, barred owl, night hawk, whip-poor-will, ruffed grouse (partridge), ducks (mallard, etc.), kingfisher, sandpiper, crane, loon.

## PUBLICATIONS.

Nearly all the publications mentioned below are finely illustrated with elegant halftone engravings, and convey to the reader the best impression possible of the various localities described, short of an actual visit in person.

Lake of Bays—Highlands of Ontario.  
The Trail of the Red Deer.

Among the 30,000 Islands of Georgian Bay.

Hay Fever.

Trains 3 and 4.

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Royal Muskoka Hotel.

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Haunts of Fish and Game.

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Mount Clemens.

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The Mountains of New England and the Sea.

Across Niagara's Gorge.

Down the Moon River.

For copies of any of these publications, apply to the nearest Grand Trunk Agent, or address the General or Assistant General Passenger Agents, according to your own location, whether in Canada or the United States. Their addresses may be found on pages 23 and 24.



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HOTEL—LAKE ROSSEAU.

# LIST OF HOTELS ON MUSKOKA LAKES

## LAKE MUSKOKA.

P. O. Address.	Hotel.	Proprietor.	Rooms	RATES		P
				Per Day.	Per Week.	
Bala.....	Windsor House	W. McDivitt.....	120	\$1.50 to \$2.00	\$ 7.00 and up.	Patent
	River View House	T. Currie.....	120	1.00		Royal
	Huggate House	E. Huggate.....	14		5.00	
	Jackson's House	Alf. Jackson.....	80	1.00	5.00	
	Ranshaw's House	Wm. Ranshaw.....	20		5.00	
	Musquash Lodge	F. W. Clements.....	30	1.00 to 1.50	5.00 to 7.00	Rosseau
	Beaumaris Hotel	E. Prusse.....	200	2.50 to 3.50	12.00 to 25.00	
	Brighton Beach	W. O. Whiting.....	60	1.50	5.00 to 10.00	
	Rockly House	Fred W. Gc.....	10	1.00	5.00 to 7.00	
	Boarding House	Geo. White.....	11		5.00 to 6.00	
Gravenhurst.....	American House	Mrs. N. A. Walker.....	50		7.00 to 10.00	
	The Minnewaska	M. Holton, Mgr.....	50	2.00	8.00 and up	Windsor
	Albion	F. Wanley.....	50	1.50	7.00	
	Empress Hotel	Sharp & Chin.....	50	1.00	5.00 and up	
	Fern Glen	Mrs. M. F. K. Bailey.....	20	2.00	5.00 to 6.00	
	Lake View	J. Meott.....	25	2.00	5.00	
	Boarding House	Mrs. F. Bailey.....	10	1.00	5.00	
	Hasel Glen Cottage	B. O. Miller.....	20		5.00	
	(Log Lake)					
	Hutton House	J. Hutton.....	30	1.50	5.00 to 7.00	
Hutton House.....	Glen Echo	Mrs. J. A. Walker.....	150	1.50 to 2.00	7.00 to 10.00	
	Milford Bay House	R. Strain.....	100	1.50 to 2.00	8.00 to 10.00	
	Wingbury House	W. Mortimer.....	40	1.00	5.00 to 7.00	
	Rosclair	W. S. Noble.....	25	1.00	5.00 to 7.00	
	Stewart House	James Stewart.....	50	1.00	5.00 to 7.00	

## MUSKOKA RIVER.

Bracebridge.....	Queen's Hotel	N. H. Brown, Mgr.	75	1.50	Special.
	British Lion	Wm. Sibbitt.....	50	1.00 to 1.50	5.00
	Dominion Hotel	A. Foster.....	40	1.00	3.50
	Albion Hotel	J. Leishman.....	80	1.00	3.50

## INDIAN RIVER (between Lakes Muskoka and Rosseau).

Port Carling.....	Stratton House	G. Cannell & Co.....	75	1.50 to 2.00	10.00 to 12.00
	Pt. Carling House		50	1.50 to 2.00	8.00 to 10.00
	Endiang	W. H. Foreman.....	60	1.50	6.00 and up

## LAKE ROSSEAU.

Minett P. O.....	Cleveland House	S. A. Minett.....	100	1.00 to 1.50	7.00 to 8.00
Ferndale.....	Ferndale House	S. G. Penson.....	75	1.50	6.00 to 8.00
King's Park.....	King's Park House	Mont. King.....	75	1.50	6.00
Judd Haven.....	Ernescliff	Alf. Judd.....	50	1.00	
Morinus.....	The Bluff	Thos. L. Snow.....	24	1.00	
Maplehurst.....	Morinus House	W. D. McNaughton.....	100	1.25	8.00 to 9.00
	Maplehurst Hotel	Mrs. J. P. Brown.....	125	2.00	12.00 to 15.00

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# LAKE AND MAGANETAWAN RIVER.

## LAKE ROSSAU—Continued.

P. O. Address.	Hotel.	Proprietor.	Agency	RATES.	
				Per Day.	Per Week.
Palanton's.....	Palanton House.....	J. F. Pain.....	50	\$1.00 to \$1.50	
Royal Muskoka.....	Royal Muskoka.....	A. F. Campbell, Mgr.....	250	3.00 and up	\$20.00 and up
	Monteith House.....	Monteith Bros.....	200	1.50 to 2.00	10.00 to 14.00
	The Retreat.....	Miss J. Holton.....		1.00	
Rosseau.....	The Beach.....	Mrs. J. B. Lawson.....	30	1.00	
	Rossmoyne.....	J. R. Boley.....	40	1.50 to 2.00	1.00 to 12.00
	Newport House.....	F. R. Stevens.....	50	1.00 to 1.50	7.00 to 10.00
	Boarding House.....	Mrs. A. Knatchell.....	15	1.25	8.00
Rosseau Falls.....	Oedar Grove.....	A. Lee.....	14	1.25	7.00 to 8.50
	Boarding House.....	T. Hartlett.....	15		
	Windermere House.....	T. Althin.....	200	1.50 to 2.00	9.00 and up
Windermere.....	Life House.....	D. Pitt.....	80	1.50	7.00 to 9.00
	Rossmoyne.....	A. Dinamore.....	60	1.00	Special
	King's Park.....	Chas. G. King.....	40	1.00	6.00
	Ingliside House.....	Mrs. Inglis.....	50	1.00	5.00 to 7.00
Woodington.....	Maple Leaf Hotel.....	I. Hough.....	90	1.50	8.00 to 10.00
	Woodington House.....	M. Woods.....	100	1.50	8.00 to 10.00
Port Sandfeld.....	Prospect House.....	Ed. Cox.....	200	2.00	9.00 to 10.00
	Boarding House.....	Mrs. E. Dick.....	12		7.00 to 10.00
	Pine Lands.....	Jno. H. Jones.....	55	1.00	6.00 to 8.00

## LAKE JOSEPH.

Elgin House.....	Elgin House.....	L. Love.....	225	1.50 to 2.00	9.00 to 12.00
Barnesdale.....	Barnesdale House.....	J. J. Barnes.....	35	1.00	5.00
Craigie Lea.....	Craigie Lea House.....	Miss J. P. Craigie.....	40	1.75	10.00 to 12.50
Gordon Bay.....	Gordon House.....	A. Winter.....	45	1.50	8.00 to 9.00
	Inland View.....	Chas. Dixon.....	30	1.50	8.00 to 9.00
Hamill's Point.....	Hamill's Hotel.....	Robt. Fawcett.....	75	1.50	8.00 to 12.00
Maple Lake.....	Maple Lake Hotel.....	Jno. Howard.....	40	1.50 to 2.00	
Port Cockburn.....	Summit House.....	H. Fraser & Sons.....	200	2.00	10.00 to 12.00
Redwood.....	Gleniffer House.....	J. F. Wilson.....	40	1.00	6.00
Stanley House.....	Stanley House.....	W. B. McLean.....	50	2.00	8.00 to 10.00

## MAGANETAWAN RIVER DIVISION.

Ahmie Harbor.....	Cliffborn House.....	J. Johnson.....	50	1.00	4.00 to 6.00
	Boarding House.....	Mrs. Clark.....	14		4.00 to 6.00
Ahmie Lake.....	Boarding House.....	Mrs. Kennedy.....	6		
	Forest Nook.....	M. A. Rice.....	45	1.50 to 2.00	6.00 to 10.00
Bark's Falls.....	Day House.....	D. Day.....	50	1.00	6.00 to 8.00
	Clifton House.....	F. Braisher.....	100	1.00	5.00 to 8.00
	Bark House.....	Jas. McGuire.....	75	2.00	6.00 to 12.00
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	Kelley House.....	J. Kelley.....	25	1.00	5.00 to 6.00
Maganetawan.....	Klondike House.....	J. McKinnon.....	25	1.00	4.00 to 6.00
	Boarding House.....	Mrs. Nicholson.....	10		4.00 to 5.00
Midlothian.....	Boarding House.....	Capt. Walton.....	15		4.00 to 5.00
	Boarding House.....	E. Geddis.....	10		4.00 to 5.00
	Boarding House.....	J. Geddis.....	14		4.00 to 5.00

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